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OF

Doctor Monteraу's Vegetable Drops,

WHICH ARE

Truly efficacious in the Cure of

SCROPHULA, SCURVY, LEPROSY,

AND

KING's EVIL,

All Impurities and Eruptions in the Face,

AND FOR ALL

CUTANEOUS DISORDERS

SO INCIDENT TO EVERY PART OF THE

HUMAN FRAME.

Prepared and Sold by **THOMAS WHITE**, the
sole Proprietor thereof, at his House, No. 57,
Old Bailey, and no where else. K

Price Sixpence.

ENTERED AT STATIONERS' HALL.

Illustrated with several observations on cures performed by these drops by which *Dr. Montereau* acquired the *largest Fortune ever made in France* by any one of the *Faculty*, the secret whereof has descended from branch to branch of that family, down to the present proprietor; ever since the year 1260, when *Doctor Montereau* departed life, having left ten thousand *lividors* for the maintenance of that beautiful chapel he built in 1248 in the city of Paris, known by the name of *La Sainte Chapelle*, which is considered the most elegant gothick edifice in Europe, and which sum in those days was considered a princely fortune.

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“THE wonderful and secret operations of Nature
“are so involved and intricate, so far out of the
“reach of our senses, as they present themselves to
“us in their natural order, that it is impossible for
“the most sagacious and penetrating capacities to
“pry into, unless they will be at the pains of ana-
“lyzing Nature, by a numerous and regular series
“of experiments, which are the solid foundation
“whence we may reasonably expect to make any
“advance in the real knowledge of the nature of
“things.”

When we consider the vanity of human beings,
and how happily they reconcile themselves with a
pleasing appearance, why not consider the many
unhappy wretches who unfortunately labour under
the most excruciating tortures, from the many com-
plaints incident to *Scurvy, Scrophula, Leprosy, and*

King's Evil, as well as to several other disorders which originate from those complaints, and which with the most morbid poisons disfigure the face and hands, and cause all over the body the most cutaneous itching, which too frequently so excites as to throw the mass into the next state of mortification.

How happy must it be to this great world, to be satisfied that Nature, in acting her part, has promulgated a Medicine whose efficacy relieves those maladies, and leaves not the smallest vestige behind. When these consequences are properly considered, it will be no wonder that a Medicine whose powers have maintained its celebrity for so many centuries in the best informed and most exalted ranks of society, still can be considered as the most efficacious of all other remedies known for these virulent disorders. Its object is so desirable, and its cure so certain, that in no country, nor under any circumstances, can it well be otherwise, from the multiplicity of wonderful and unexpected cures this Medicine has made; which has by far surpassed the most distant idea ever entertained of it by the faculty, who all allow it to far surpass any thing that ever came within their knowledge: for when they had gone through the whole routine of their information, *chymically* and *medicinally* in vain, *Doctor Monteraui's Drops*, as the last resource, have been their only alternative, in which they allow disappointment never once happened. In many instances, when the face has been carbuncled with the most excruciating pains, attended with ulcers and blotches of confirmed scurvy, where the powers of other Medicines were abortive, these Drops in a little time however had the desired effect, reduced the face to its natural colour, and rendered the mind happy to find the virulent matter totally defaced,
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without the smallest apprehension of ever again being troubled with relapse.

When for a moment we reflect on the case of getting rid of the excruciating morbid humours that lurk in the blood of most people, either from the impurities of their ancestors, or from their own dissipation. Why will people play with health, by inundating nauseous Medicines, that oftener confirm disorders, than render benefit, particularly when so ready a mode of immediate relief is so easily acquired by the application of *Monterau's Vegetable Drops*, which eradicates all such maladies, without the necessity of constraint of diet, or any other regimen necessary to be observed.

Good appearance is one of the advantages which silently operates in our favour every day of our existence, while a forbidding visage, or a face marked with disease, is forcibly acting to our disadvantage. A countenance disfigured by morbid humours appears to be generally the consequence of dissipation, drunkenness, or debauchery, brought on by ourselves, or of our whole mass of blood and juices being corrupted and contaminated from the vices of our parents. Those suspicions are affectingly injurious to our feelings, our reputation, and prejudicial to our fortunes and advancement in life. Though at the same time it may be extremely wrong, yet it becomes an indispensable duty to ourselves, as well as to society, to adopt the most salutary and approved mode for relief. And it is the more to be lamented that such suspicions should so forcibly operate against persons, who have no such sins to answer for, and who for symmetry of their features might probably be entitled to rank even with the proudest in beauty.

Monterau's Vegetable Drops will be the means of placing the unhappy victims who have fallen a prey to the affliction of *Scurvy, Leprosy, Scrophula, or King's*

King's Evil, on an equal footing, and putting them into a situation of receiving all the advantages enjoyed by those who most exult in clear skin, fineness of complexion, and the sweet enjoyment of untainted blood and sweetness of breath, which invigorates the system, and flatters the mind with the pleasing hope of longevity.

Our ambition ought to be great to free ourselves from the deformities caused by these disorders, which create so much disgust, and which to every feeling mind must be a desirable object; for though we may consider that however habit may to ourselves have familiarized this unpleasant aspect, it is not so with strangers, it is new and disgusting to fresh acquaintance, and particularly distressing to delicate and susceptible minds, *especially in company*.

Contrast the ruddy vigour of health, animating the vivid tints of beauty, with the languor of sickness, or the discontented visage of disease, a visage of actual fret-work, buttoned with carbuncles, pimples, blotches, ulcers, and every other cutaneous appearance, which such disorders when over charged in the body will expose by forcing their way through the pores, and shew their virulence at the surface, which renders the afflicted extremely forbidding. Certain it is, that impressions which assist to injure us in our undertakings and negotiations through life are too frequently formed at *first sight*; and such impressions, more or less deter our success in despite of our efforts, even in great concerns, and often have actually decided the fortunes and happiness of many thousands, which was strongly instanced in the case of the late Duke of Northumberland, when Sir Hugh Smithson, and the late Duchess of Kingston, when Miss Chudleigh, who from the figure they afterwards held in the fashionable world, were married to great fortunes, and completely

completely established the super-excellence of *Monterau's Vegetable Drops*.

The Public, who esteem what is due to health, and wish to maintain the good opinion of the world, and who have conceptions of the comeliness of health, or the deformities arising from such pustulas as *Scurvy*, *Leprosy*, *King's Evil*, and *Scrophula* create, which are so frequently attended with obnoxious smells, must weigh the advantages which belong to a sweet breath, wholesome habit, and an engaging appearance, to whom Nature perhaps has given the strongest claims, are seriously assured that the advantages so far as belong to an eradication of those disorders, are to be effectually obtained by the application of *Doctor Monterau's Drops*, however violently the patient may be afflicted.

The great credit *Doctor Monterau's Drops* has acquired since the early part of the Century of 1200, and by the many cures they have effected in all parts of Europe, as well as the universal repute they are held in here by the most eminent of the faculty, have convened many consultations among them to deliberate on their efficacy and operation, never having found them to err, and who have on all very critical cases, recommended them as the most effectual, safe, and innocent remedy of any application that can be made, and that in the most desperate state of *King's-Evil*, *Leprosy*, *Scrophula*, *Scurvy*, *Tetters*, *Blôiches*, *Carbuncles*, or any morbid complaints that are incident to the human frame, and which *Drops* were never known to fail the desired effect in any point of view.

In 1216, Madame Pointenue, mistress of Charles the first of France, was considered the most beautiful woman in Europe; but unfortunately she was considerably addicted to *Scurvy*, which was born with her; and in despite of every medicine that the knowledge

knowledge of those days admitted, were prescribed for her, the disorder daily got worse and more complicated, and every effort used to keep it from the face proved abortive, which threw her into a delirious state, and threatened the symptoms of a mortification. *Doctor Monterau*, as Physician to His Majesty, had recourse to simples. He searched the several gardens of the Nobles in the environs of Paris, and collected therefrom the materials of which these Drops are composed, which in a little time effected a compleat cure on that charming Lady, which for the remainder of her life never shewed the least appearance of relapse.

The King was so pleased with the happy cure made on his favourite Lady, that he ordered gardens for botanical improvement to be instantly laid out near Paris, particularly for the growth of the plants which composed the Drops that effected that cure, and which garden to this day is in the highest state of cultivation.

Doctor Monterau was appointed inspector of that famous garden, with a competent salary allowed him to maintain his high dignity, which together with the great practice he had by curing all disorders in the capillary veins, and the vicious elaborated matter by the morbid glands, from their being in a preternatural state. He was extremely successful, and acquired the largest fortune perhaps ever made in those days by any individual.

Doctor Monterau, as a Physician, was allowed to be the greatest man existing, and upon all great cases was sent for to Spain, Italy, Germany, England, and other parts of Europe; and on the day of his demise left the secret of this invaluable medicine to be entailed in every branch of his family.

When King George the First came to England, his family Physician was a descendant of the famous *Dr. Monterau*, in whom the secret of those valuable Drops

Drops were vested. He married the great grand mother of the present proprietor of them, by descent whereof Mr. White is become the sole proprietor of that celebrated medicine.

These drops are diametrically opposite to repellants, for they at first excite, and in a small temporary degree increase the external eruption, and if internal, forces it to the surface of the skin, where it also excites, and which by degrees finally cures and eradicates.

Doctor Monterau in preparing the plants that compose these Drops was extremely particular to know the separate effect of their consistency, as well as to prove their power when combined. He searched their operation in every point of view, and when having gone through a regular routine of the sources which nature laid down in the vegetable creation, he fixed on this medicine as the most efficacious of any other he found out, not only for the innocence of their compounds, but also for the good quality they possess in creating appetite, strengthening the stomach, and stimulating the nerves, as well as where any secretion of morbid humour lays lurking under the skin, it gradually opens the pores, and gently supports in sensible perspiration, whereby the acrimony of secreted matter vents discharge, which must be the salutary means to keep off fever, as it destroys the Abetus which crudates in the stomach, whereby the natural tone and texture of any wounded parts become restored, and the capillary vessels and glands perform the functions allotted to them, and are thereby enabled to throw off as they rise the saline particles (which would otherwise encrease), without suffering them to loiter and accumulate till they become fixed.

The celebrated Duchess of Kingston, when maid of honour to the Princess Dowager of Wales, had her face very much deformed with carbuncles, blotches

blotches and opacity, which became a fixed scurvy. She had recourse to every medicine the late Doctor Hunter could safely prescribe for her, who at last, finding the efforts of his prescriptions become futile, he recommended *Doctor Monterau's Drops*, from which she received so much benefit as to induce her to write a letter to the proprietor, mentioning their excellence, and desired more of them to be sent to her.

The Duchess was intimate with Lady Danvers, and her Grace knowing that in Sir John Danvers's early days he lived a dissipated life, and from intemperance he was extremely carbuncled in the face, and his nose, from ulcerated humours, swelled to such a degree, that he became a perfect fright. Sir John was so extremely displeased with his appearance, that he shut himself up from all manner of society, a seditary life daily confirmed the distemper, and raised it to such a degree, as to have brought him almost to death's door.

Doctor Fothergill, and Sir Richard Jebb, who attended Sir John, used every effort that the entire routine of medicine laid down. But failed to even flatter themselves with the least hope of perfecting a cure. Sir Richard Jebb recommended *Doctor Monterau's Vegetable Drops*, to Sir John, who took them for fifty-eight days, and at the end of that time was perfectly cured, and to the last moment of his breath, he never had the least return of that complaint, though he lived a great many years after, and died in the advanced age of 94, having departed this life only in the latter end of the year 1796.

The late Lord Littleton, was troubled with King's Evil from his infancy, and an attempt was made to cure it before he attained his fifteenth year. When his Lordship was in his twenty-fifth year, that complaint attacked him with the most obstinate appearance, it raised to such a pitch as to have broken out
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in his neck, groins, hams and arm-pits, and became so ungovernable as to get beyond the power of the ablest physician to conquer.

After every endeavour having been exercised by his Lordship's physicians, the celebrated Doctor Beard, recommended the air of Lisbon, as a means to invigorate his Lordships debilitated situation, and the renowned Doctor Cullen, said, that the extreme fatigue of the journey would put an end to his Lordships existence. He recommended *Doctor Monierau's Vegetable Drops* to his Lordship, as the only alternative remaining to render him the least benefit. Doctor Hunter was present when those Drops were recommended, spoke highly of them from his own knowledge, and even promised that those Drops would make an alteration in his Lordship in a few days. Accordingly, they were sent for, and on the tenth day there was a very perceptible alteration for the better in his Lordship, and in four Months he was as well as any man living, and enjoyed the most perfect health to the day of his surprizing anticipated death, and there never appeared the smallest iota of the complaint, and when the body was opened after his demise, it was admitted that the least particle of the King's Evil was not perceptible in his whole frame.

The Leprosy is, of all disorders, the most troublesome, from its constant itching. It tries the patience more than any other disorder, for by scratching you force the complaint to greater degrees of virulence, and in refraining, you must have uncommon resolution.

Sir Charles Sedley, who was one of the most elegant men in his days, and still in memory of those who knew him, whose acquaintance to this day regret the loss of a good friend, a pleasing companion, a beautiful poet, an excellent historian, a great philosopher, a divine musician, in fine, he was considered

considered the most elegant and accomplished man in Europe, who, in the twenty-second year of his age, was returned for the County of Nottingham, and represented that County to the day of his death.

Sir Charles was attacked with a Leprosy of the worst of kinds, which affected every inch of his whole frame. He was assisted by the greatest medical aid in London, but to no effect, the complaint increased, and his physicians apprehended the approach of a mortification.

The late Duke of Kingston, frequently visited Sir Charles, in this melancholy situation, and finding the powers of medicine had no effect, his Grace recommended to Sir Charles to try *Doctor Monterau's Vegetable Drops*, which he was told by his Duchess, was what cured her of a most violent scurvy. Sir Charles took the Duchess's advice, sent for *Monterau's Drops*, used them for forty-six days, when he was completely cured, and never after had the least sign of the smallest particle of Leprosy appearing on any one part of him.

The late Duke of Northumberland, when Sir Hugh Smithson, was very much afflicted with a most virulent scurvy, which not only attacked his face and hands, but also the bottom of his feet, which confined him to his bed from the impossibility of his putting foot to the ground; in this very unpleasant manner he was confined for several months at his seat in Yorkshire, and in that situation was moved to London for the benefit of medical aid. In about six months after he got every assistance he could acquire, he was able to go into company, when he paid his addresses to Lady Elizabeth Seymour, (the late Duchess of Northumberland) who positively refused his frequent visits on account of his having a red face from the remains of scurvy. Sir Hugh fretted extremely from the observation, and as commonly observed, a decomposed mind disorders

disorders the body, which was the means of bringing a relapse of his former complaint, which daily became worse and worse, in despite of every effort that could be used by the faculty, who after disappointment in their endeavours, recommended Doctor Monterau's Drops as the only alternative remaining to render benefit, which after having used twelve bottles of them, a most compleat cure was effected, which never after shewed the most distant symptom of returning.

When Sir Hugh got rid of the complaint and redness in his face, he renewed his addresses to Lady Elizabeth, who made no further objection to his disfigured face, and soon after married him.

Mr. Thomas Brantingham, a most respectable quaker and farmer, the father of a large family, who lives at Kenton, near Newcastle upon Thyne, was violently afflicted with a very morbid scrophula; all his children were attacked with the same complaint, but not so very bad as himself. He left home for London in December, 1793, to obtain the best medical aid that could be procured. He remained in town under the most strict regimen, and best advice for twelve months, but to no purpose, his disorder every day rising to greater height, 'till at length the faculty declared it was out of the power of man or medicine to effect a cure, and desired him to make the best of his way home, and settle his affairs, for it was morally impossible for him to live three months longer.

Mrs. Wallace, of the Strand, in whose house Mr. Brantingham lived, recommended to him to try *Monterau's Drops*, which he did with the happiest effect, and got compleatly cured by the completion of six bottles, and to this day lives at Kenton, where he enjoys a pure state of health, and from that time never had the least attack of that complaint.

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When Mr. Brantingham was returning home he purchased twelve bottles of *Monterau's Drops*, with which he cured his whole family, who now enjoy a perfect state of health, and are perfectly able to attend their domestic concerns, and now considered as healthy a family as any in England.

Lord Conyngham, when Francis Pierpoint Burton, had a dreadful scrophula, which to cure surpassed all endeavours. He was ordered by his physicians to go to the south of France, and try what the air of that country may do for him. He remained there many years, yet got no better, he went from thence to Paris, and placed himself under the care of the most eminent of the faculty of that city, but in vain. The celebrated Doctor Darchy, chief physician to Louis the 16th, recommended *Monterau's Drops* to his lordship, which made a compleat cure in ninety days, and so happy was his lordship in the cure, that his presents to the proprietor of *Monterau's Drops* were numerous and noble.

"To enjoy good health is better than to command the world," says a celebrated philosopher, * who understood the use and value of life, and health, better than most men, for in exile, with a small income, and no very good constitution, he cultivated an uncommon length of days into a rational series of pleasures, and what is much more, an uninterrupted course of happiness. But as far as I can find, he was a very extraordinary instance in this respect, for the generality of us seem not to bestow a thought upon either, till it be too late to reap the benefit of our conviction, so that health, like time, becomes valuable, only when it becomes lost; and we can no longer think of it, but with retrospect and regret. It must be confessed, even by those that are enemies to the venders of secret medicines,

* St. Evremond.

medicines, that the wonderful discoveries of them, and their great benefits, are studies of sublime nature, which can well engage the mind and attention of the highest mortal upon earth.

After we have studied the principles of Nature, and have gone thro' experiments necessary to complete the knowledge of secret medicines, and their practical uses, we are always solicitous of their success, and ground their physical theories upon the maxims of philosophy then most generally received, and the common physical reasonings are too often in practice, founded upon precarious principles. But where a medicine is established beyond all possible doubt of efficacy, it must be admitted that its merits ought to be encouraged, which I am sorry to say is not the case even where physicians cannot without the aid of what they are pleased to call a nostrum, compleat a cure : *Vita brevis, ars verolonga.*

To enumerate the multiplicity of cures made by Doctor Montereau's Vegetable Drops on the most distinguished characters in Europe, would be too numerous for a publication of five large volumes in folio. But I confine myself to a few select cases of the most extraordinary cures made on persons of high distinction at home, therefore I shall not lavish fulsome panegyrics upon a medicine that has established itself, which were it not of the greatest advantage to the public, would never have stood the test of so long a standing, as ever since the century of 1200, and by the excellence of these drops, the fortunes of many families have been acquired in very large portions, and which bids extremely fair to the present proprietor to share the same fate as his ancestors, and who flatters himself that from an unremitting attention that he owes to the people of
England,

England, he never will be found deficient in convinc-
ing how much he feels himself to the subjects of his
worthy Sovereign, their

most obedient,

and most humble Servant,

THOMAS WHITE.

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